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# HARDING *Alumni* NEWS

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## Alumni Elect Jim Bill McInteer of Nashville As Distinguished Harding Alumnus Of Current Year

While Jim Bill McInteer was at Harding last month for the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, he was the subject of a most pleasant surprise. As a result of being voted Distinguished Alumnus of 1964 he received a copper-etched plaque containing this citation:

"In recognition of the high degree to which he exemplifies the ideals and aims of Harding College and in gratitude for his loyal support of the institution, especially as a member of its board of directors; for his outstanding service as an evangelist, Christian journalist and friend of Christian education, the Alumni Association presents this plaque, May 28, 1964."

McInteer, who is both minister of the West End Church of Christ in Nashville, Tenn., and business manager of **20th Century Christian**, has been a member of the Harding Board since June, 1950. Both Mr. and Mrs. McInteer, the former Betty Bergner, of Isabel, Kansas hold B. A. degrees from Harding College — he of the Class of '42 and she of the Class of '43.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award was instituted in 1960 and is presented on the basis of spontaneous voting by alumni without prior nominations, therefore results are fully secret until announced on graduation day each year.

Previous recipients are L. O. Sanderson, evangelist and religious music composer; Dr. R. T. Clark, now research director at Harding; Dow Merritt, missionary in Africa; and Dr. George S. Benson, Harding president.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bill McInteer of Nashville, Tenn. display the Distinguished Alumnus plaque presented to McInteer on Alumni Day.

### NOTICE

Marion Cawood (Acad. '59) will sing at the Republican National Convention July 15 in San Francisco at 1:30 p.m. EST. Miss Cawood will sing the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Italian Street Song."

### Thanks To Ballot Committee

Opening, counting and tabulating hundreds of ballots in a couple of hours on graduation day is no small task. Our sincere thanks to Ben Porter (BA'60), Jim Eckerberg (BS'59), Dick Mock (BA'61), and Merlin Prior ('65) for assisting with this job.



## President's Corner

By Virgil Lawyer  
BA '46

### New President Suggest Three Definite Goals

It is with some misgivings that I take up my pen to write to you as the president of the Harding Alumni Association. I have never served in such capacity before and find the unknown to be a bit frightening. I also realize how our association has grown in membership and am aware that spearheading a group of over seven thousand members will mean considerable work.

I do feel that an honor has been bestowed upon me by you. I hereby pledge to serve all of you to the very best of my ability. I feel sure that I can count on your help and cooperation.

While the job has its frightening aspects there are encouraging factors also. Dr. Evan Ulrey did an outstanding job during his three terms in office. Buford Tucker and his staff have the office set up and running smoothly. But most encouraging of all the factors are you, our alumni. When one contemplates working with those who have been to Harding and absorbed the fine things offered here, there can be only anticipation and pleasure over the prospect of directing the activities of this group.

I don't want to overlook our three vice-presidents. I am hoping that each of them will actively participate in our work and will feel free to write for the bulletin, make suggestions, and otherwise aid us in every way possible.

As I began my term I see three definite goals which need our attention. We must push our goal of \$300,000 for the Greater Harding Development Program to its successful completion. Letters have been sent to all who have not yet contributed and we will continue our efforts until we have succeeded.

We must get wider and more regular participation in our annual alumni giving.

We can never be satisfied with less than one hundred percent participation in this area.

There must be an awakening among our alumni to the need for selling teenagers on Harding College — such as the St. Louis Chapter chartering two busses and bringing over eighty youngsters to our annual Senior Day activities. There is no better way to sell young people on Harding than to let them see our campus.

I have no magic solutions nor earth shaking proposals regarding the above goals. The solution for most problems is work and these goals demand plenty of work.

As I close this first note to you, allow me to request your ideas and suggestions for a more effective and better association. We are open to advice.

### If Your Chapter Is Looking For A Project For This Year Why Not Try This Suggestion

If your chapter is looking for a project for next year, why not consider this one.

The estimated cost of constructing and furnishing a residence room in the new American Heritage and Alumni Center is \$5,000. A brass plaque on the door would bear the name of the chapter.

If individuals wish to provide for the furnishings in such rooms that cost is estimated at \$500. This latter prospect cannot be recognized with a plaque on the door, but it will be memorialized somewhere in the building. Some individuals and chapters have already indicated a desire to take responsibility for one or the other of the above projects.

#### ALUMNI OFFICERS

VIRGIL LAWYER, President

DR. R. T. CLARK, 1st Vice President

DR. NORMAN HUGHES, 2nd Vice President

JIM HOWARD, 3rd Vice President

BUFORD TUCKER, Executive Secretary

DORIS COWARD, Office Secretary

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Evan Ulrey, Dr. Joe Pryor, Dr. R. T. Clark, Dr. Norman Hughes, Virgil Lawyer, Lott Tucker, Buford Tucker and Jim Howard.

## Harding Alumni Celebrate 42nd Homecoming

Among alumni returning for homecoming activities were those who graduated 25 years ago, the class of '39.

Alumni registration started at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday. Alumni chapel was at 10:00 a.m. with a large number in attendance.

Those participating in the chapel program were Dr. R. T. Clark, chairman; singing was led by C. W. Bradley; scripture reading was by Dr. Jack Lewis; prayer was led by Dr. George Gurganus; class history was read by Dr. Norman Smith; entertainment was by Jon Farris, Jo Lee Thayer and Harding Burton, students; talk was by President George S. Benson; Alma Mater was led by L. O. Sanderson; and benediction was by Hobart Ashby.

Those from the class of '39 present were Annie May Alston librarian at the Graduate School in Memphis; Hobart Ashby, minister in St. Louis; Mrs. James O. Baird (Avanelle Elliott), wife of Dr. James O. Baird, president of Oklahoma Christian College; Mrs. George Beasley (Alice Anne Davis) of Memphis; Dr. R. T. Clark, chairman of the chapel program and vice-president in charge of research at Harding; Dr. George Gurganus, professor of Speech and Missions at the Graduate School in Memphis; Paul E. Miller, associate with the U. S. Soil Conservation Service who lives in Augusta; Mrs. Donald Mount (Theda Pinkston) a high school teacher who lives in Alamo, Tenn.; Jess Rhodes, a teacher

at West Texas State College who lives in Canyon (His son, Jess Rhodes Jr. was among those graduating on May 28); Dr. Norman Smith, who lives in Pocahontas and is a physician; and Guy Thompson who is in the car-truck rental business and lives in Searcy. Others sent letters and biographical forms for the class history that was given in chapel.

Alumni were present from the classes of '29, '34, '44, '49, '54, and '59, each of these having a five-year reunion. Alumni were present from nearly all of the 38 classes that have graduated. Attendance at the reunion luncheon exceeded expectations and several had to be fed in the regular dining room at the Rendezvous. It is hoped that next year we will be in our own new dining hall where space will not be a problem.

The annual alumni luncheon on Thursday following graduation was attended by a large number of alumni, graduating seniors and their parents. Every available seat in the college dining hall was taken. For the second year we were unable to accommodate faculty members but this will be corrected with our new facilities.

Homecoming next year has been changed to June 2 and 3, which is one week later, hoping to avoid so many conflicts at commencement time and give more alumni opportunity to join friends for homecoming.



Members of the class of '39, celebrating their 25th anniversary during Alumni Chapel on May 28, are from left, Guy Thompson, Dr. Norman Smith, Annie Mae Alston, Mrs. Donald Mount (Theda Pinkston), Mrs. George Beasley (Alice Anne Davis), Hobart Ashby, Jess Rhodes and Paul Miller. Other members of the class in attendance but not pictured were Mrs. James O. Baird (Avanelle Elliott), Dr. George Gurganus and Dr. R. T. Clark.

## Miss Alston Elected To Who's Who In America

Annie May Alston, librarian at the Harding Graduate School of Bible and Religion in Memphis, has been named to the 1963-64 edition of **Who's Who in America**.

Miss Alston, a graduate of Harding, also holds a B.S. degree in library science from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn. She received her M.A. degree from the University of Chicago in 1952 and has done additional study in theological librarianship at the University of Chicago.



Miss Alston

A native of Henning, Tenn., Miss Alston has been at Harding since 1944 except for a two-year leave of absence. From 1944-47 she taught in the English Department and from 1947-62 she was librarian on the Searcy campus. In 1962 Miss Alston assumed her present position at the Graduate School in Memphis.

In 1957 Miss Alston served as chairman of the college section, Arkansas Library Association and was elected president of

Arkansas Library Association in 1958. She was executive director of National Library Week in Arkansas in 1959.

Miss Alston is also listed in **Who's Who in American Women**. She holds membership in Southeastern Library Association, American Theological Library Association and American Library Association.

## Dr. A. R. Brown Leaves Searcy For York Work

Dr. A. R. Brown, who attended Harding during the school year of 1937-38 and who has lived in Searcy as a physician since 1946, is leaving Searcy this month to join York College, York, Neb.

Dr. Brown will set up a student health service at York College and will be the school physician. He will teach biology and Bible and will serve as chairman of the Science Department. He also hopes to work with a needy congregation in the area.



Dr. Brown

The Searcy physician spent one and a half years in Africa as a medical missionary in 1947-48 and spent 20 months in the United States Medical Corps. Dr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, have spent 23 years in Africa. He lived there nine years before attending Harding.

After his study at Harding, Dr. Brown attended David Lipscomb College, received the B.A. degree from Vanderbilt University and the M.D. degree from the University of Tennessee School of Medicine.

### Our Sympathy

**Mrs. Harold D. Platt**, Ethel Clark ('33) for the passing of her husband (BA'30) on April 4, at his home in Dallas, Tex.

**Mrs. Wayne Hindman**, Mildred Teffertiller ('48) who lost her husband in a plane crash on May 12.

**Mrs. Barbara Ellen Cartwright** ('66) was notified June 23 that her husband, Jim, had been killed on a mission in Vietnam.

**Mrs. Zelma Lawyer** (Special) passed away June 4 in her sleep at her home in Portland, Ore.

## Five Alumni Graduate From Medical Center

Harding had five alumni among the recent graduates from the University of Arkansas Medical Center at Little Rock. They are, Sandra Stell, Lewis Robertson Jr., Ralph Lee Johnson, Roy Vanderpool and Jack Baldwin.

Miss Stell received two awards at the honors day ceremony: the public health nursing award given by the Little Rock District Nurses Association for academic achievement and participation in public health nursing, and the Marie Stannus Sheatham award for general excellence in nursing. At the graduation exercise, Miss Stell was also the recipient of the faculty key which is given each year to the top student in the senior class.

Robertson was awarded the certificate for attainment of a high scholarly average throughout the senior year by the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity.

Vanderpool plans to do his internship in Wichita, Kan. and Baldwin at the Trippler Army Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii.



Dr. Evan Ulrey, (left), president of the Alumni Association for the past six years, congratulates Virgil Lawyer, the Association's new president. Seated at right is the Distinguished Alumnus of the year, Jim Bill McInteer.

## New Alumni Officers Elected For 2-Year Term

**By Buford Tucker**  
Executive Secretary

Thanks to all who sent in ballots. With such good response your officers can serve knowing that they will have your support for the things that need to be done.

You have chosen the following people to serve you for the next two years. They would appreciate having your suggestions and full cooperation. Elected were: Virgil Lawyer (BA'46), president; Dr. R. T. Clark (BS'39), 1st vice-president; Dr. Norman Hughes (BA'54), 2nd vice-president; and Jim Howard (BA'62), 3rd vice-president.

To Dr. Joe Mattox (BS'55), the other candidate for president, Richard Hawkins, (BA'59) and Bill Lynn ('46), the other two candidates for vice-presidents, we express appreciation for providing a full slate of capable candidates and a good race for each office.

The Association is grateful to Dr. Evan Ulrey for serving as president for the last six years and to Leon Sanderson, Lucian Bagnetto, and Virgil Lawyer, for serving

as vice-presidents the past two years. The Association is thankful to Dr. A. R. Brown, Alice Ann Kellar, Dr. Clifton Ganus Jr., Dr. Joe Pryor and Lott Tucker for serving on the executive committee and to Betty Ulrey for her fine cooperation in an unofficial way.

## MARRIAGES

**Mary Ann Holder** ('67) to **Byce Henry Arnett** ('66) on June 1 at Springhill, Tenn.

**Jeanette Ann New** ('62) to **Frank A. Gasiorowski, Jr.** on April 11 in Tabernacle, N. J.

**Sandra Herndon** (BA'63) to **Robert Fish** on May 30 in Memphis, Tenn.

**Del Brock** (BA'64) to **Sheila Mitchell** (BA'64) May 26 in Searcy.

**Carolyn Sue Watts** ('64) to **Nathaniel Franklin Naff** on March 26 in Bastrop, La.

**Barbara Boaz** (BA'64) to **Jerry Benson** ('62) May 14 at Heber Springs.

## ★ ★ ★ From Here and There ★ ★ ★

Mrs. Kenneth, **Ina Swan** ('55) Neal is now living in Lebanon, Tenn. She has three children: Pal, 5, Pamela, 3 and Phil, 1.

Mrs. Kenneth, **Joan Hayes** (BA'53) Hol-loway is teaching accounting at the Junior College of Baward County in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. She has two boys ages 6 and 3.

**2nd/Lt. Claude E. Mayo, Jr.** (BS'63) has entered U. S. Air Force navigator training at James Connally AFB, Tex. Lt. Mayo will receive radar and celestial navigation training leading to the award of silver navigator wings upon graduation.

**Donald C. McLarey** ('62) of Okay, Ark. was one of four juniors recently elected to membership in Alpha Omega Alpha, honorary medical scholarship fraternity, at the University of Arkansas School of Medicine. McLarey took his pre-medical study at Harding College. As a freshman in medical school, he received an award for his superior work in the study of anatomy.

**John Vanderpool** (BA'58) has been elected to Alpha Omega Alpha honor scholastic society in medicine at the University of Tennessee.

**Florence Klemm** (BA'64) has received a fellowship in English from Colorado State College, Fort Collins, Colo.

**Mrs. Wanda F. Adair Clements** ('59) received her B.A. degree in education from Arizona State University, May 26. She will be working on her Master's in Spanish this fall.

The two-year old son of **Rob** ('54) and **Juanita Walton** (BA'52) Pitts, who are in Austria, is interested in Harding at an early age. He tried to cast his vote in the recent Alumni Association election by coloring the ballot!

**Floyd Lord** ('63) was recently selected as editor of the South Texas edition of the Christian Chronicle.

**William H. Handy** (BA'49) was admitted to practice law in the state of Louisiana on April 20. His wife is the former **Neva Chesshir** ('50). They have two boys, Jim and Charles.

**John** (BA'52) and **Gena Chesshir** (BA'50) Davis are in their fourth year of work with the Ridgewood congregation in Beaumont, Tex. They have two children, Mark and Melinda.

**Donald P. Pate** (BS'60) has been awarded a National Science Foundation Academic Year Institute Grant in mathematics at the University of Arkansas. Last summer he received a National Science Foundation Summer Institute Grant in physics and chemistry at Memphis State University.

**John** (BA'59) and **Claudette Faulk** ('62) **Wilson** are moving to Iowa City, Iowa where John will do work on his Ph.D. in religion at the State University of Iowa.

**Lester Parmenter** (BA'58) who is serving in the armed forces has been made a Lt./JG. He and his wife, **Anelle Northcut** (BS'58) are living in Lemoore, Calif.

**Harry Boggs** (BS'56) has been made a partner in the Cheatham Insurance Agency.

**Sammie Swim** (BA'52) is the Bible Chair director for the new San Antonio College Bible Chair. It will open this fall. SAC is a junior college.

**George Norrell** ('53) is educational director for the South San Antonio Church of Christ. He will direct a four-congregation Vacation Bible School in August.

**Rebecca A. Martin** (BA'63) has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Women in the Air Force upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. Lieutenant Martin, selected for OTS through competitive examinations, will remain at Lackland for duty.

## Chapter News

### Arkla Chapter

The Arkla Chapter has taken the project of furnishing one room in the American Heritage and Alumni Center. Over one half of the cost has already been sent to the college. The Arkla Chapter was organized in 1959.

### Michigan Chapter

A check has been received from the Michigan Chapter listing 27 contributors for the Greater Harding Program. The club has taken this as a group project. It is one of the oldest and most active state-wide chapters.

## BIRTHS

Daughter, Julie Ann, to **Jerry** ('56) and **Betty Buchanan** (BA'57) **Gatlin** on June 21 at Paragould.

Daughter, Ruth Ann, To David and **Nancy White** (BA'60) Guley on April 16 in Santa Ana, Calif.

Daughter, Rebekah Anne, to Wayne and **Hilda Milligan** ('58) Davis on June 22 in Rockford, Ill.

Daughter, Lori Lou, to **Neale** (BA'56) and **Treva Lou** ('66) **Pryor** on May 20 in Searcy.

Daughter, Deborah Lynne, to **Luther** ('64) and **Patricia Richards** ('64) **Honey** on Feb. 26 in Newport.

Daughter, Lisa Renee, to Mr. and Mrs. **Jim Redding** (BS'61) on June 17.

Daughter, Lori Almeda, to **Benny** (BA'60) and **Gayle Claunch** (BA'60) **Stephens** on March 24.

Son, Tony Darren, to **Don** ('60) and **Pat Neal** ('62) **Edwards** on Dec. 19 in Little Rock.

Daughter, Karen Annette, to **Gerald** (BS'61) and **Peggy Barker** (BA'61) **Griffith** on April 12.

Son, Thame, to **Charles** (BA'59) and **Irene Keckley** ('61) **Reddell** on June 3 in Wichita, Kan.

Son, Carey Reese, to **James** ('61) and

**Sonja McDougald** ('65) **Stone** on June 3 in Houston, Tex.

Daughter, Cheryl Lynne, to Royce and **Carolyn Hendershot** (BA'63) **Wolfe** on May 14.

Daughter, Le Ann, to John and **Pat Huckabee** (BA'59) **Corning** on Feb. 10, in Yakima, Wash.

Daughters, Elise Ann and Camilla Erin, to **Bob** ('50) and **Maxine Justiss** ('50) **Mock**. Elise Ann was born Feb. 1, 1963 and Camilla Erin was born Nov. 12, 1963. They were both adopted in Seoul, Korea.

Son, Robert Earl, to **Bob** (BA'55) and **Joan Nance** (BS'55) **Brown** on May 19 in Searcy.

Daughter, Tracy Suzanne, to Guy and **Merle Garrett** ('54) **Powell** on May 1 in Kodiak, Alaska.

Daughter, Wendy Kay, to **Jule** (BA'49) and **Judy Hogan** ('50) **Miller** on May 22.

Son, Stephen Dean, to **Carlton** (BA'64) and **Dee V. Clark** ('63) **Burke** on May 16 in Searcy.

Daughter, Melody Ann, to **Cecil** (BA'50) and **Dot Tulloss** (BA'52) **Beck** on May 10 in Searcy.

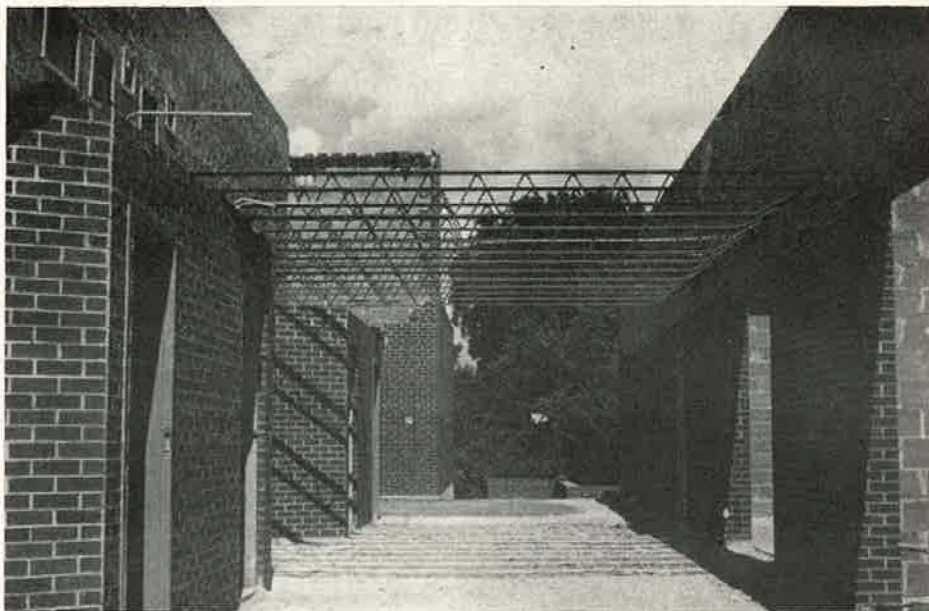
Daughter, Ronda Jean, to Ron and **Brenda Sutton** ('65) **Parrish** on June 16 in Wurzburg, Germany.

Daughter, Stacy Ann, to **Leon** (BA'63) and **Peggy Wisenbaker** ('62) **Sizemore** on April 6.

Son, James Lawrence, to Mr. and Mrs. **Larry Holmes** (Memphis school) March 6.



Buford Tucker, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, gives the annual business report at the annual business meeting of alumni on May 28. At left are Dr. and Mrs. Evan Ulrey.



The latest view of the new American Heritage and Alumni Center is this one showing the corridor between the 500-seat auditorium at left and offices on the right. The walls have reached their full height.

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